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Sir:

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OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2001 ON MARCH 6, 2002.

open position thatched umbrella but which is openable and closeable, which  
umbrella comprises:

a) a continuous woven one piece circular thatch,  
b) an umbrella frame having a series of ribs, each of which is interconnected  
to a strut, each of which struts is interconnected to a hub, said hub disposed upon a  
pole,

c) an umbrella canopy, having an exterior surface, overlaying and connected  
to said frame,

said woven thatch being disposed upon said canopy's exterior surface, and  
being connected to said frame's ribs through said canopy, and

d) means for opening and closing said frame disposed on said pole.

Please enter amended claim 8:

8. A thatched umbrella having the appearance of a South Seas or Caribbean fixed  
open portion thatched umbrella but which is openable and closeable, which  
umbrella comprises:

a) a continuous woven one piece circular thatch,

b) an umbrella frame having a series of metal ribs, each of which is

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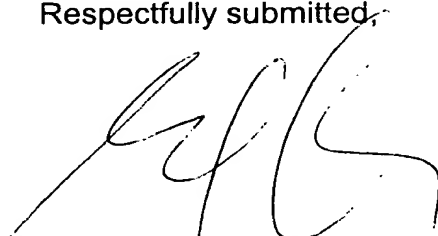
interconnected to a metal strut, each of which struts is interconnected to a hub, said hub disposed upon a pole,

c) an umbrella canopy made of acrylic fabric, having an exterior surface, overlaying and connected to said frame,

said woven thatch being disposed upon said canopy's exterior surface, and being connected to said frame's ribs through said canopy by a series of spaced screws, and

d) means for opening and closing said frame disposed on said pole.

Respectfully submitted,



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